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************ FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE***********

INCIDENT: Computer Hard Drive Shoplifter

DATE: September 7, 2012

LOCATION: Target, 2201 Cobb Parkway

SUSPECT: Ryan Kingston, 29 yoa, Dacula, GA

CHARGES: Theft by Shoplifting (M)

The Marietta Police Department Detective Division has secured a warrant for Ryan Kingston, 29 of Dacula, GA for shoplifting a computer hard drive. Kingston is currently in custody in Atlanta, GA on a similar charge for a theft from Walmart. Kingston is known to have shoplifted computer hard drives from nine metro Atlanta area Target stores and is possibly connected to the thefts of computer hard drives from other metro Atlanta area stores.

The thefts occur when Kingston and an unknown white male enter a store together and walk back to the electronics section of the store. Kingston has been able to defeat the electronic security devices attached to the packaging of the hard drives and then conceals the computer hard drives on his person. Kingston was captured on camera stealing several computer hard drives from the Target located at 2201 Cobb Parkway on September 4, 2012 at approximately 9:00pm. Forensic evidence collected at the scene positively identified Kingston as the suspect.

The Marietta Police Department is asking any police jurisdiction or business that has similar, unsolved thefts of computer hard drives to contact the Marietta Police Department's Crime Analyst at 770-794-5286. Anyone with information as to the identity of Kingston's accomplice is asked to contact the Marietta Police Department Tip Line at 770-794-6990.





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